

**MARTINSVILLE COMMON COUNCIL
MARTINSVILLE, INDIANA
MORGAN COUNTY INDIANA
MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014**

Mayor Phil Deckard called the Martinsville Common Council to order on Monday, October 6, 2014. Del Chafey then led those in attendance in opening prayer followed by the Mayor's leading attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

THOSE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Phil Deckard, Mayor
Terry Buster, District 1
Bob Strader, District 2
Gary Lester, District 3
Jeff Price, District 4
Phil Deckard II, District 5
Eric Bowlen, Councilman-at-Large
Shannon Kohl, Councilwoman-at-Large
Ross Holloway, City Engineer
Roger Coffin, City Attorney
Bob Carter, Fire Chief
Roger Wiltermood, Chief of Police
Craig DeMott, Street Superintendent
Valerie Hugart, Clerk-Treasurer
Becky Tumey, 1st Deputy Clerk

A quorum was declared present.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Phil Deckard reported Assistant Police Chief Gary Waggoner is out of the hospital and doing well. He hopes to return to work in a few more days.

Mayor Deckard thanked Street Superintendent Craig Demott for his work with City crews in covering downed trees in a wind storm just prior to the Council meeting.

The Mayor's Breakfast will be held Sunday, October 12th at the Martinsville High School. See Mayor Deckard or Carol Messmer for tickets. Event begins at 7:30 a.m. followed by the Fall Foliage Festival Parade.

Bob Strader gave an update on the Golden Anniversary Celebration. Everything going well in getting ready for the FFF.

The Candy Kitchen and Jackie Blackwell will be setting up tables in the alley of the Candy Kitchen. They will be serving food.

Ohio Street project is on time and estimated time of completion is September 2015. INDOT has control of this project.

A replacement was needed on the Planning and Zoning Board. With Council approval Mayor Deckard nominated John Daily for the job. A motion was made by Gary Lester to accept John Daily's nomination. This was seconded by Councilman Bob Strader. Also, Mr. Lester made the motion to close additional nominations. By a show of hands, the Council accepted John Daily to replace Sam Sloan on the Planning and Zoning Board.

Mayor Deckard announced City Attorney Roger Coffin and Chief of Police Roger Wiltermood have been working together to get several residential areas cleaned up. Some are being cited into City Court for ordinance violations, some have been given warnings.

ENGINNERS REPORT

Ross Holloway was absent due to ill health of his wife. Mayor Deckard did report the Board of Works declared an emergency in the area of St Claire to Home Avenue for sewer repair. Fluid Waste will do the project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Martinsville City Parks – Park Board President Del Chafey reported the newly installed walk track is being used daily. Heat is now installed in the Family Pavilion. It has baseboard heat. The Park Board is working on an employee handbook. There will be an executive session tomorrow in hopes of finalizing the book. The Park Board is considering establishing a non-reverting fund. Revenues collected by the Parks would go into this fund. Revenues suggestions were shelter house fees, pool and concession fees, etc. It is hoped enough could be saved to build an Ampitheater. Councilwoman Shannon Kohl asked to have a water fountain at the Mulberry Street Park. It is on the radar for future installation. Recreation Director Pamela Dunscombe appeared to Discuss activities at the Park. Business after Hours had a picnic that was very successful. Arts in the Park was another event recently held. The Community Band was attendance. Pumpkins in the Park will be held October 26th. Fee is \$4.00 per child.

Morgan County Economic Development – Chelsie Manns appeared to report she had attended the September Economic Development Meeting. In working with various Council persons – she hopes to have site visits soon.

REDISCOVER MARTINSVILLE - See Tina Chafey to sponsor a light pole for the Christmas season.

Mayor Deckard recessed the Council Meeting to allow a Public Hearing for the adoption of the 2015 Budget. The Mayor called for comments. There being none, he concluded the Public Hearing.

Reconvene Common Council Meeting

NEW BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 2014-1691 – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS – This pertains to the 2014 General Obligation Bond. Declare this the first and final reading. A motion to approve and adopt this Ordinance was made by Councilman Gary Lester and seconded by Councilman Bob Strader. The motion passes with yes votes by Councilpersons Kohl, Strader, Price, Lester and Buster. Councilmen Bowlen and Deckard II were absent.

RESOLUTION 2014-330 – TRANSFER OF FUNDS – This to cover over spending from various accounts. . A motion to approve and adopt this Resolution was made by Councilwoman Shannon Kohl and seconded by Councilman Jeff Price. The motion passes with yes votes by Councilpersons Kohl, Strader, Price, Lester and Buster. Councilmen Bowlen and Deckard II were absent.

Resolution 2014-328 – Reduction of Appropriations – This is done to cut the current year budget, in an effort to make the 2015 Budget more in line with revenues. A motion to approve and adopt this Resolution was made by Councilwoman Shannon Kohl and seconded by Councilman Jeff Price. The motion passes with yes votes by Councilpersons Kohl, Strader, Price, Lester and Buster. Councilmen Bowlen and Deckard II were absent. Council Attorney Dale Coffey asked the Council for permission to send a letter to the Park Board Attorney Richard Bray.


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CLAIMS


A motion to accept the claims as reported was made by Councilman Gary Lester. Councilmen Terry Buster the motion. The claims were accepted with a vote of 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Councilman Gary Lester made the motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Councilman Jeff Price. The motion passes 5-0.


Phil Deckard, Mayor



Terry Buster, Councilman

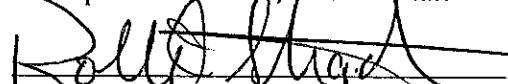

Shannon Kohl, Councilwoman


Gary Lester, Councilman

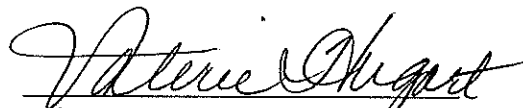

Jeff Price, Councilman

Eric Bowlen, Councilman-at-large


Phillip R Deckard II, Councilman


Robert Strader, Councilman-at-large

ATTEST:


Valerie Hugart, Clerk-Treasurer